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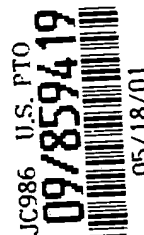
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For: POLYURETHANE FOAM

Enclosed are:

X A specification consisting of 19 pages sheet(s) of drawingsX An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 Recording Fee ✓X Certified copy of Priority Document(s)X Executed Declaration X Original Photocopy Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27 Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.76

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